

# Performance Characteristics of High Brightness (HB) White LEDs for General Outdoor Illumination



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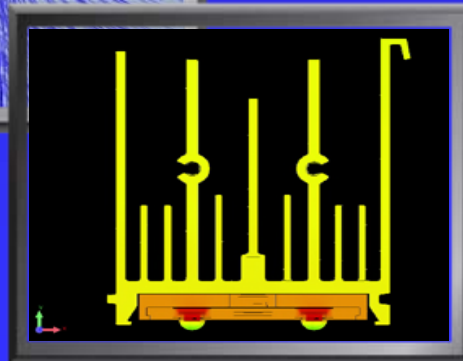
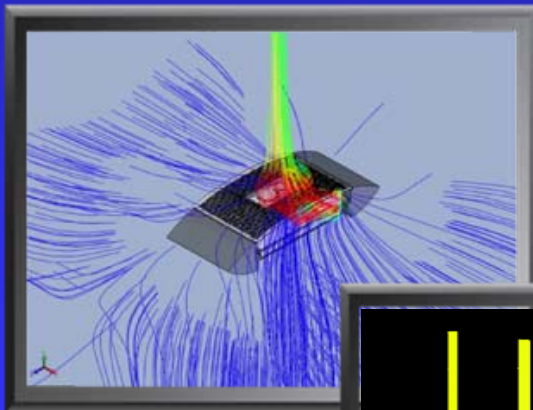
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# Optimizing Integration for Fixture Design and Applications

## Thermal Management



## Optical Control



# Thermal Management

- Key System Optimization Attribute
  - ◆ Dramatic Effects On:
    - Initial System Efficacy
    - Lumen Depreciation / Lumen Maintenance

# Understanding Thermal Effects on Performance

## ■ Goal:

- ◆ Optimizing Efficacy
- ◆ Optimizing Life / Minimizing Lumen Depreciation

# HB White LED Source Efficacy

## ■ Example

### ◆ 80+ Lumens/Watt

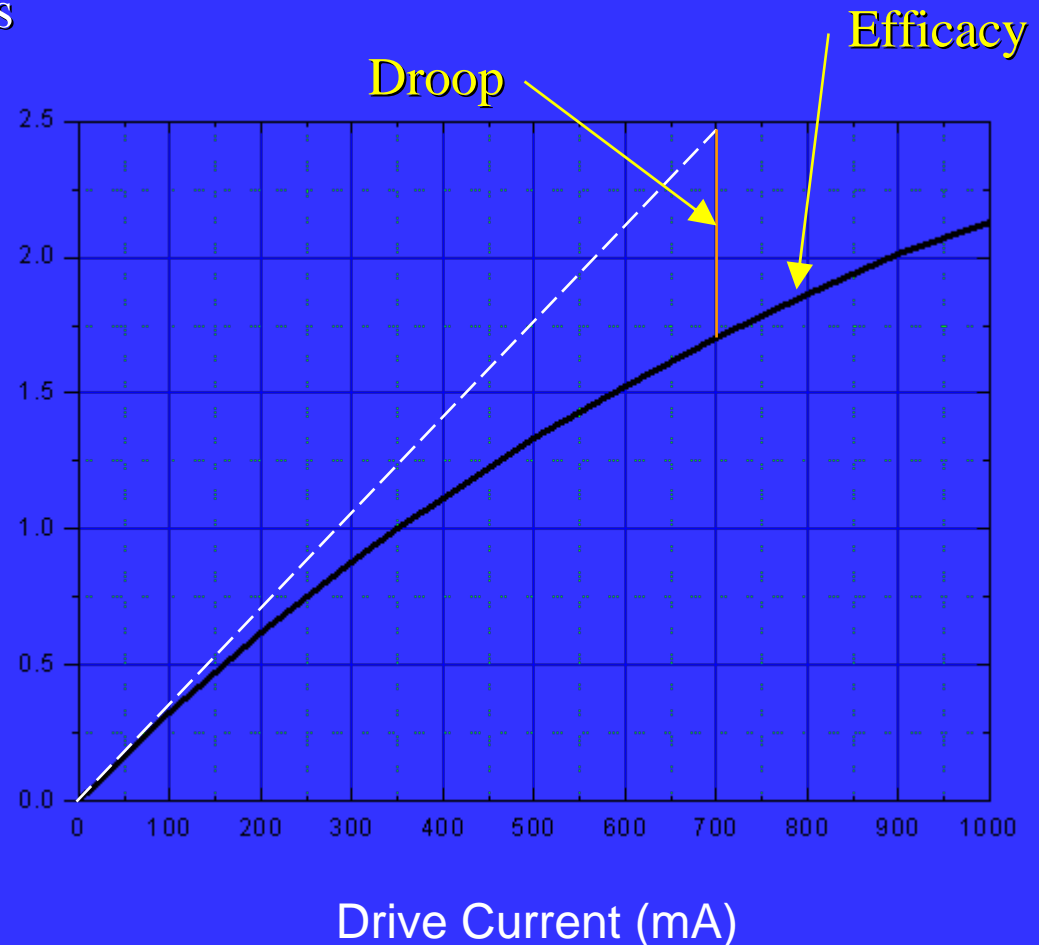
- Measured at 25°C
  - ~25 Millisecond Time Duration
  - 350 mA Drive Current
- ~6000 K Correlated Color Temperature (CCT)
  - Limited Indoor Applications
  - Appropriate for Many Outdoor Applications

# HB White LED

## Relative Initial Source Efficacy

- At Constant Time and Junction Temperature
  - ◆ Drive Current Varies

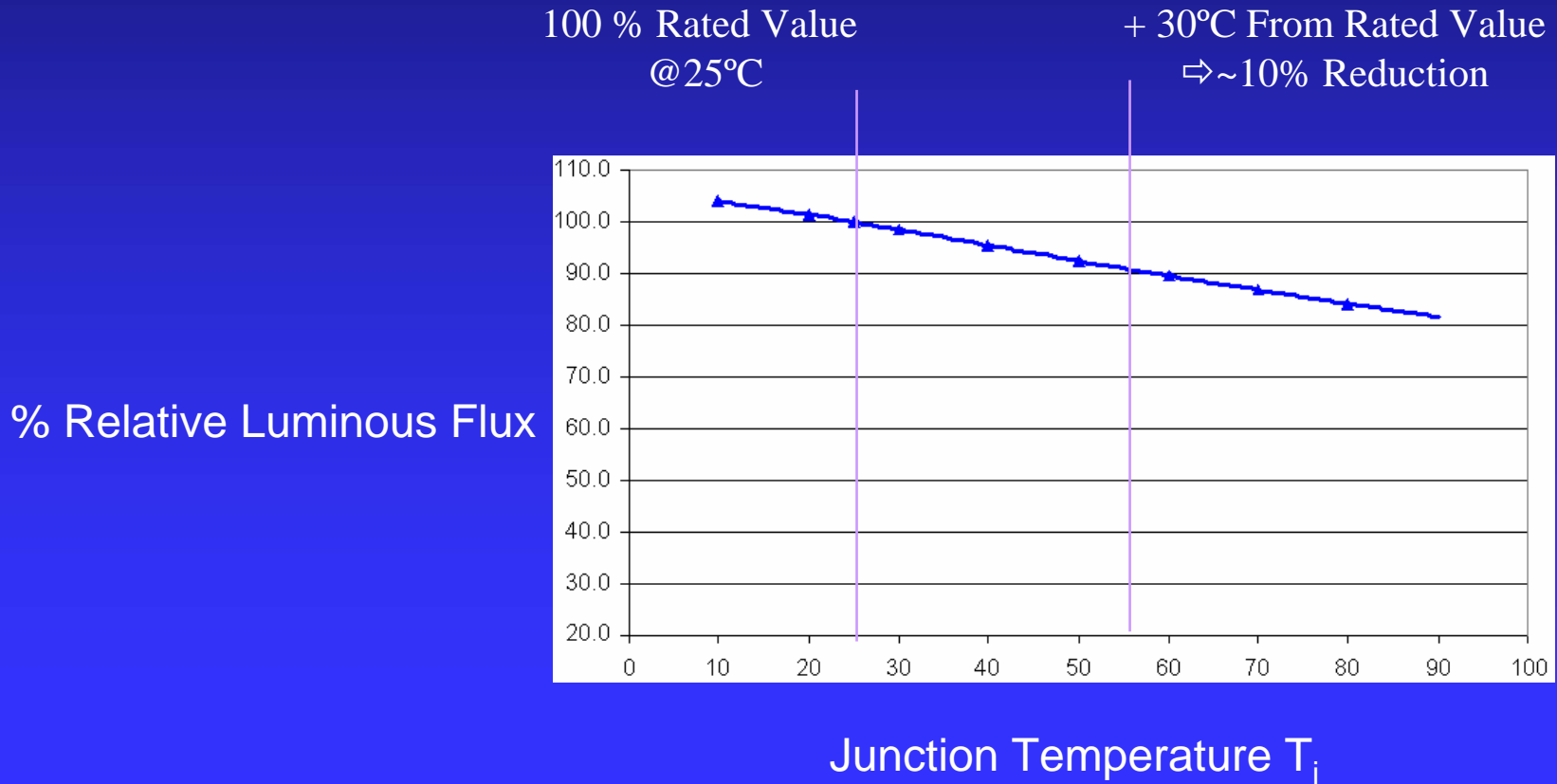
Relative Luminous Flux



# HB White LED

## Relative Initial Source Efficacy

- At Constant Time and Drive Current
  - ◆ Junction Temperature ( $T_j$ ) Varies



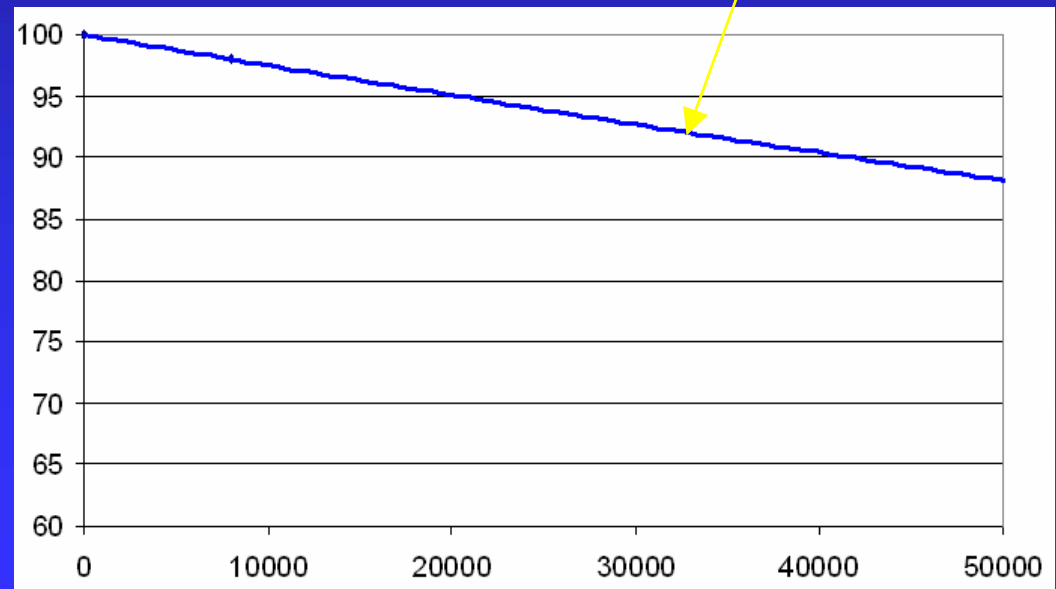
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## Source Efficacy Over Time

- At Constant Junction Temperature ( $T_j$ ) and Drive Current
  - ◆ Example: Stabilized LED System
  - ◆ Time Varies
    - *Defines Lumen Maintenance*

Example: For  $T_j$  of  $\sim 55^\circ\text{C}$   
 $\Rightarrow \sim 12\%$  Reduction @ 50,000 Hrs

% Relative Luminous Flux



Time (Hours)



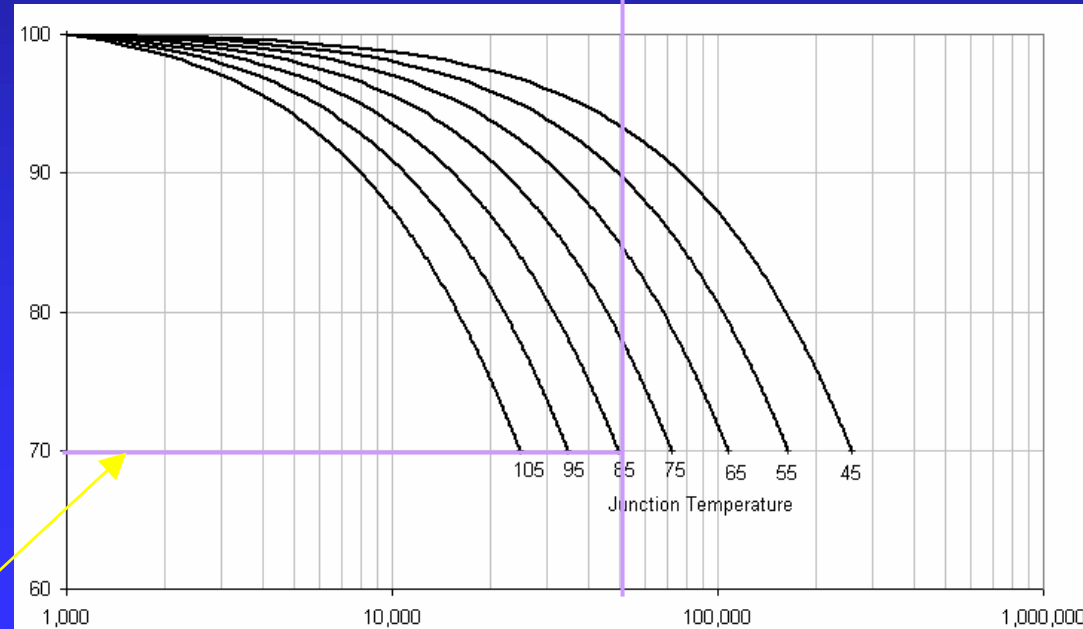
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## Source Efficacy Over Time

- At Constant Junction Temperature ( $T_j$ ) and Drive Current
  - ◆ Example: Stabilized LED System
  - ◆ Multiple ( $T_j$ ) Examples
  - ◆ Time Varies

For  $T_j$  of  $\sim 85^\circ\text{C}$   
 $\Rightarrow \sim 30\%$  Reduction @ 50,000 Hrs

% Relative Luminous Flux



$L_{70}$

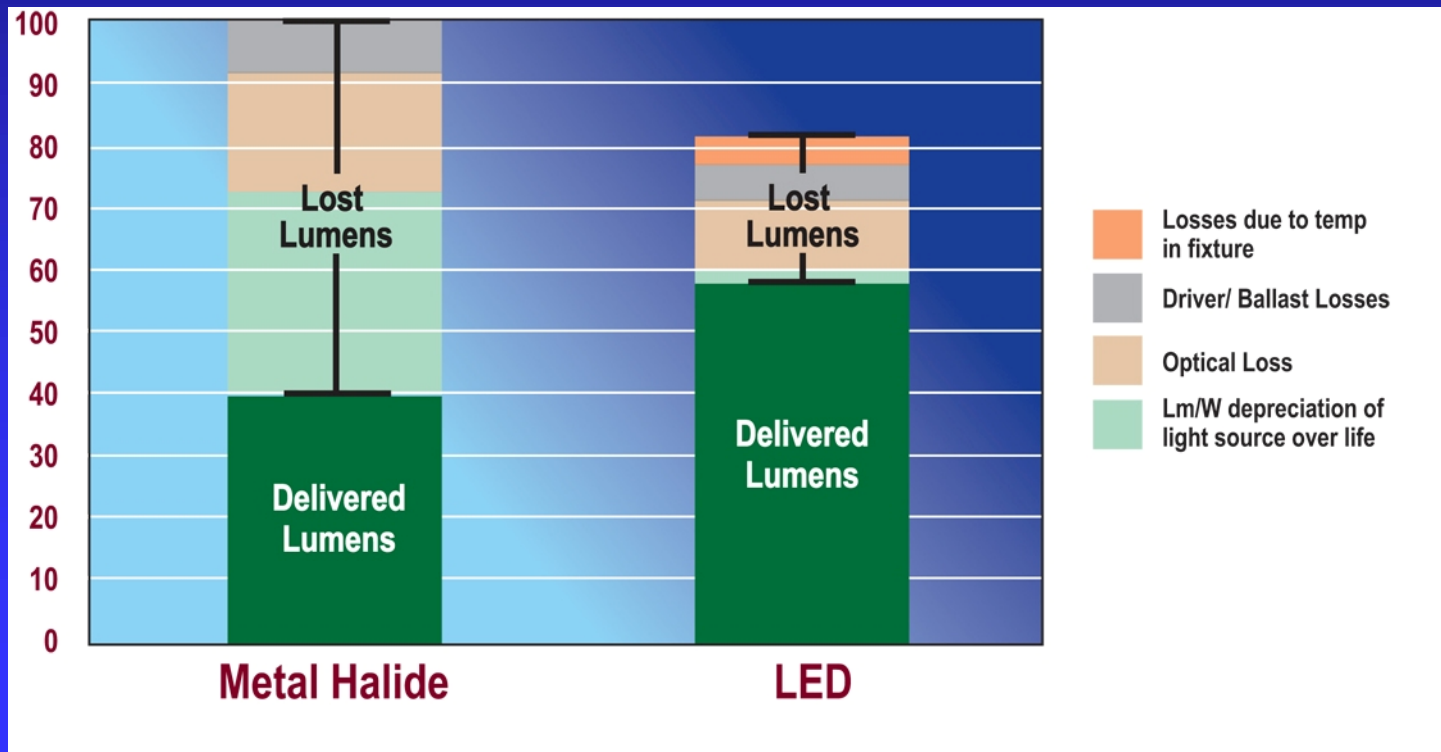
Time (Hours)

# Important Points

- Thermal Management Will Determine Lumen Depreciation
- Thermal Management Will Directly Impact Initial System Efficacy
  - ◆ Complete System Must Be Tested
    - Requires Absolute Photometry

# Basic System Comparison Example

- 100 Lumen/Watt Metal Halide
- 82 Lumen/Watt LED



# Optical Control Opportunities

- HID vs. LED

# Source Size and Directionality

## ■ HID

- Relatively Small Size
- Omni-Directional Emission
  - Intensity at Angle Varies

# Source Size and Directionality

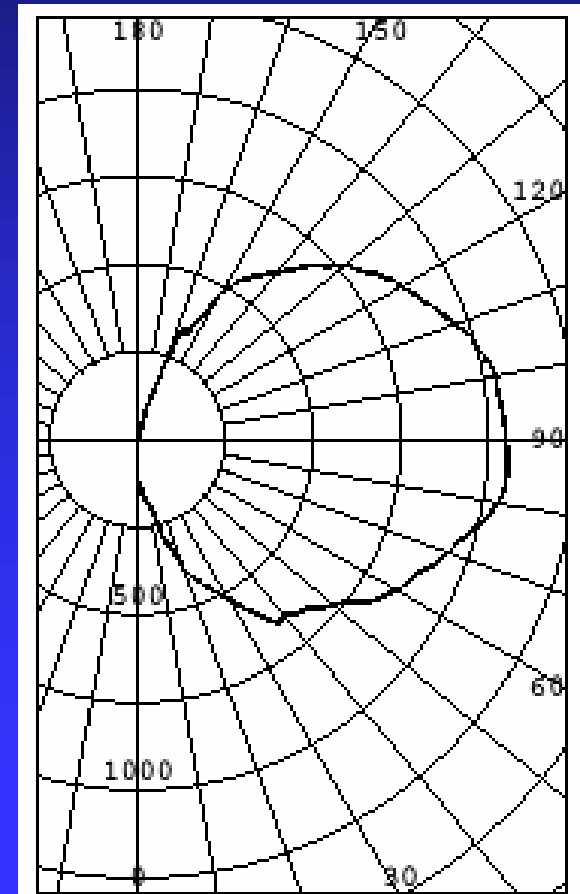
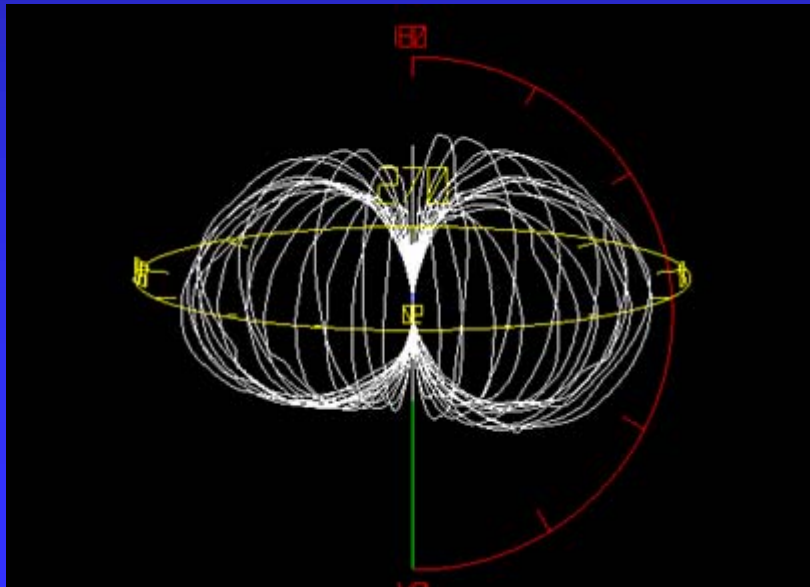
## ■ LED

- Relatively Small Size
- Emission Usually Contained in a Solid Angle Less Than  $120^\circ$ 
  - Intensity at Angle Varies

# Bare Source Emission Characteristics

# HID Bare Source Photometry

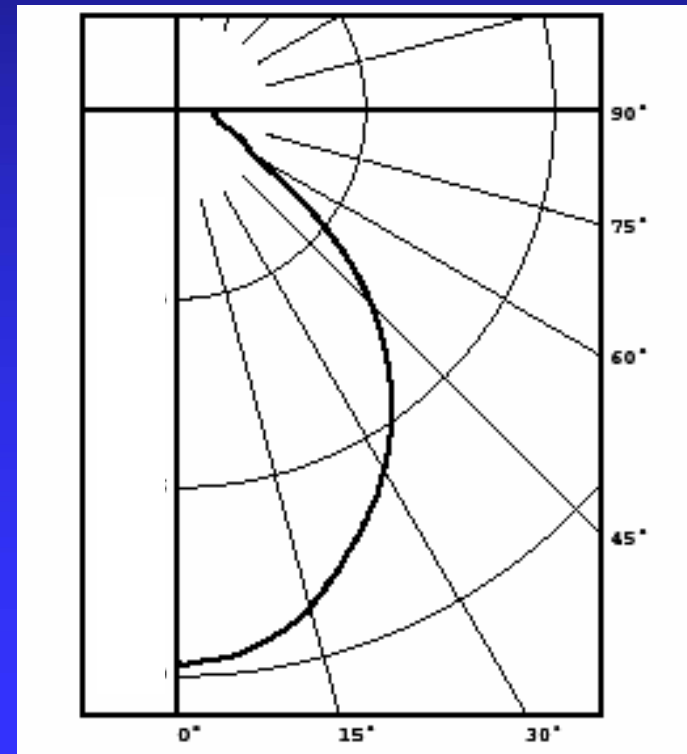
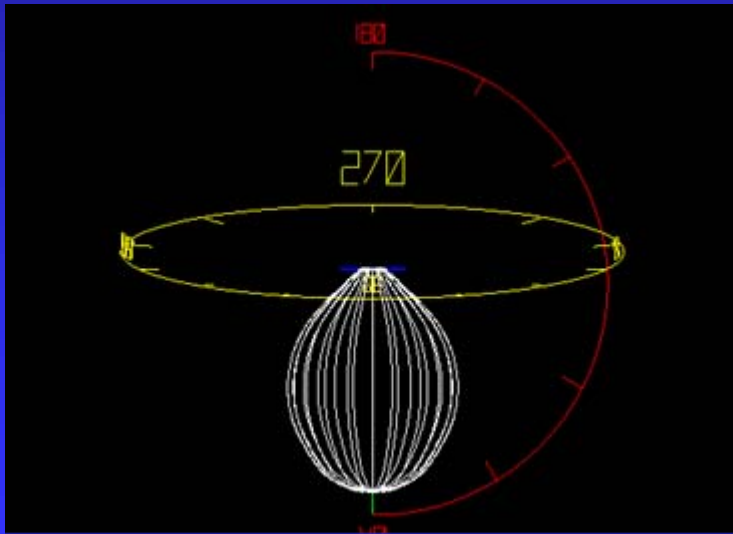
Commercially Available MH Lamp  
Polar Candela Plot





# LED Bare Source Photometry

Commercially Available HB  
White LED  
Polar Candela Plot

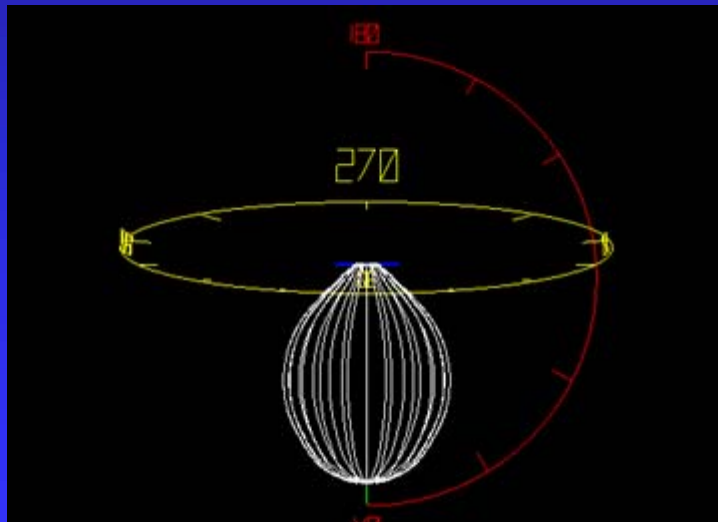


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# LED Source Emission Offers the Best Opportunity for Optical Control

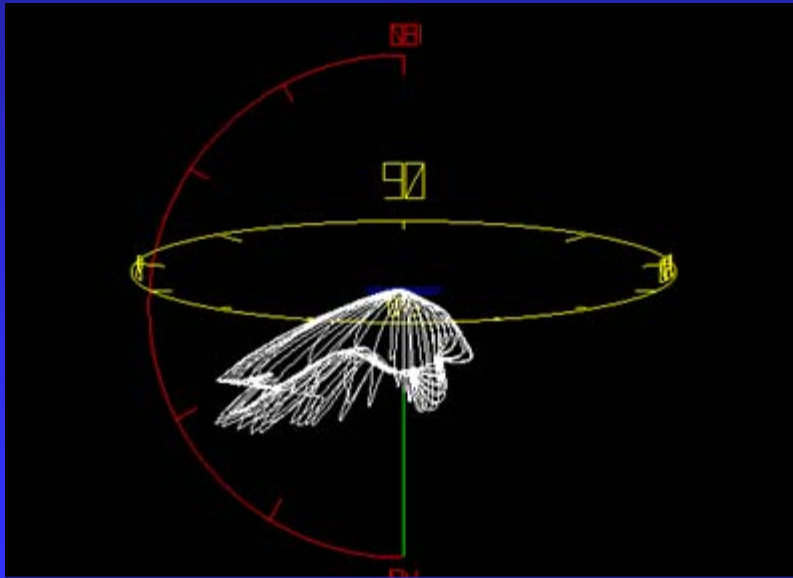
# Optical Control

## ■ Bare LED Package Illustration



# Optical Control

Illustration of Altered  
Distribution  
(Secondary Optic Added)



# What is Needed for a Fair Comparison?

- Certified Photometric Report From an Independent Testing Agency
  - ◆ LED System
  - ◆ Competing Systems
- Life Data (Lumen Depreciation Value) for the LED System
  - ◆ Based On the Life of the Application
    - L70 = end of life limit
- Appropriate Maintenance Factors for the Competing Systems
- Understanding of Costs
- ❖ Side-by-Side Performance Evaluation

# Other Factors of Comparison

- Complete System Life
- Reliability
- Warranty
- Serviceability and Maintenance
- Chromaticity Selection
- Chromaticity Variation
- Environmental Impact Factors
  - ◆ Disposal / Recyclability / etc.
- Etc.

# Ongoing LED Improvements

- Increased Efficacy
  - ◆ Across all Chromaticity Ranges
- Optical Design
- Thermal Management
  - ◆ Materials / Heat-sinking
  - ◆ Packaging
- Reduced Chromaticity Variation
- Standards (Updates and Refinements)
  - ◆ Test / Measurement / Application
- Driver and Control Technology
- Costs
- Etc.

# Opportunities for Application Performance Improvements

- Better Lighting Uniformity
  - ◆ Reduction of “Hot Spots”
  - ◆ Improvement in Minimum Light Levels



# Parking Area Comparison

LED Area Light

Vs

High Pressure Sodium (HPS) Area Light



# Parking Structure Comparison

LED Parking Structure Fixture

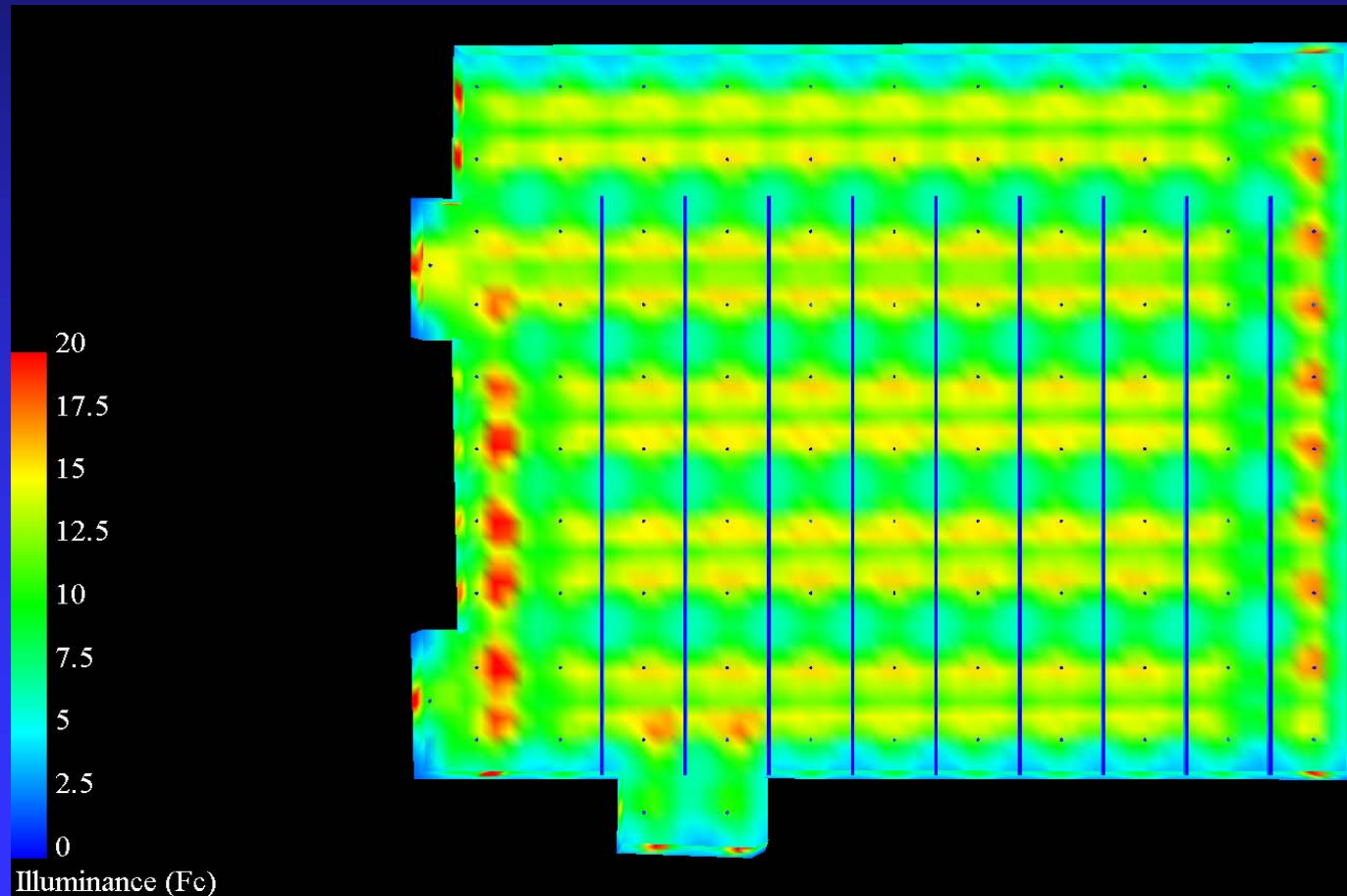
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200W Pulse Start Metal Halide

Parking Structure Fixture

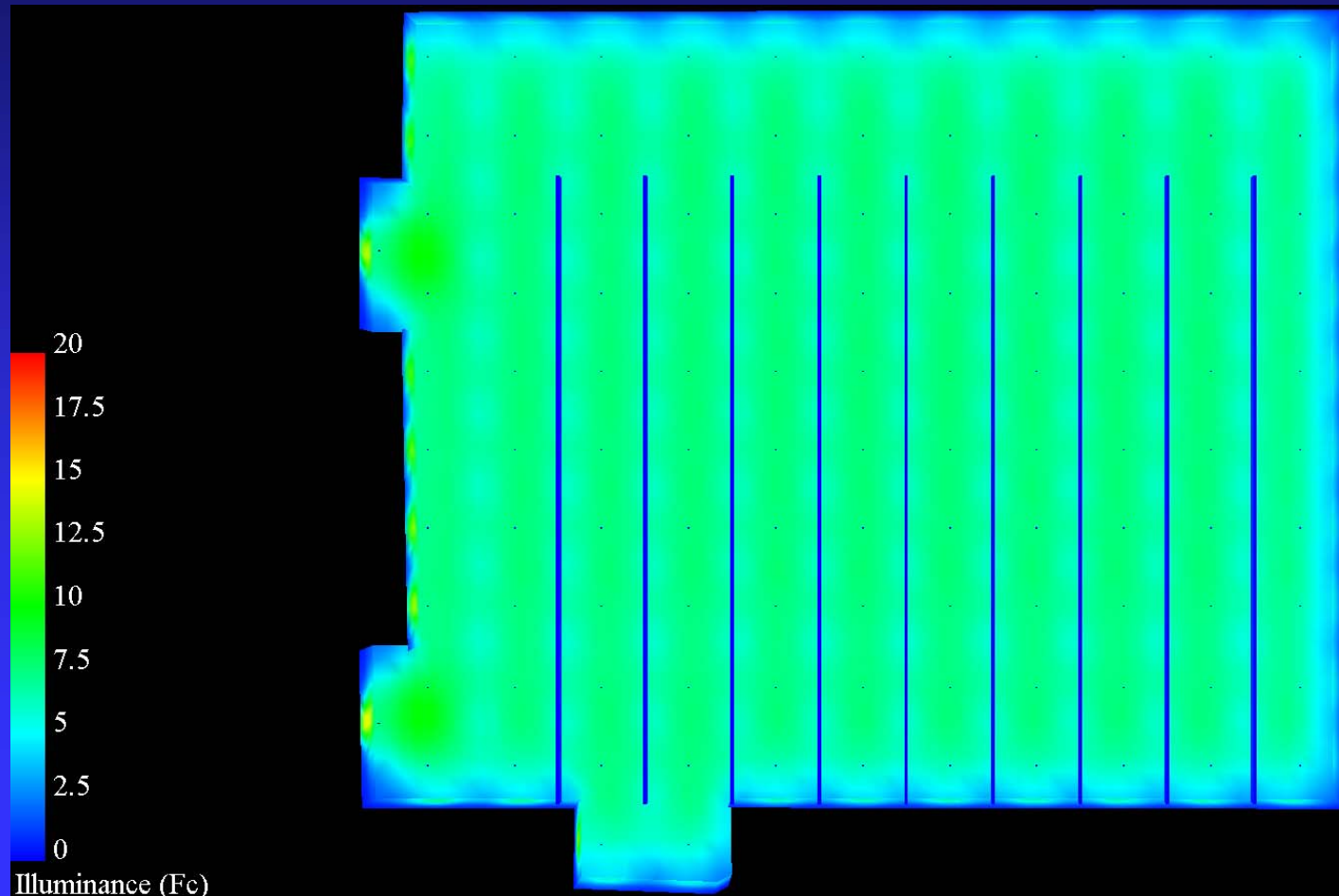
# Parking Structure

## 200W Pulse Start Metal Halide



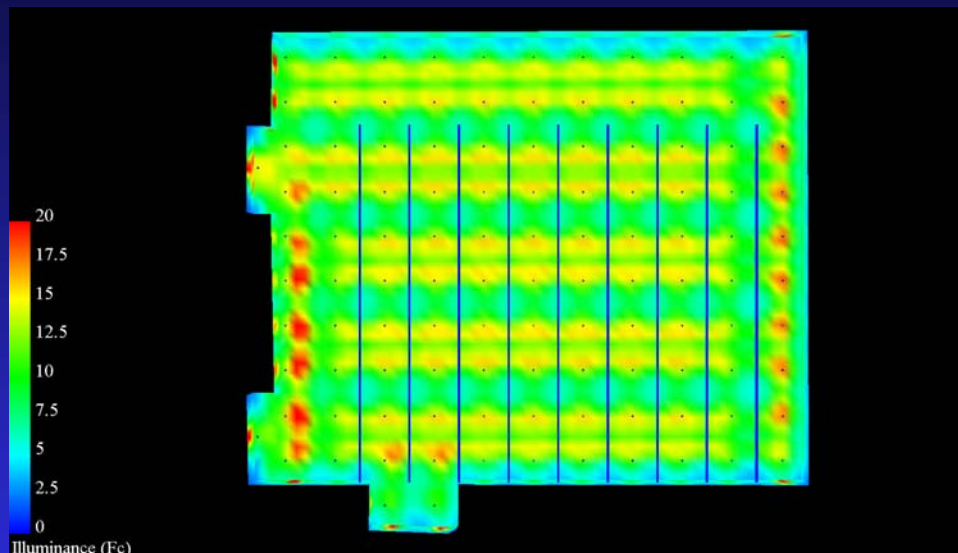
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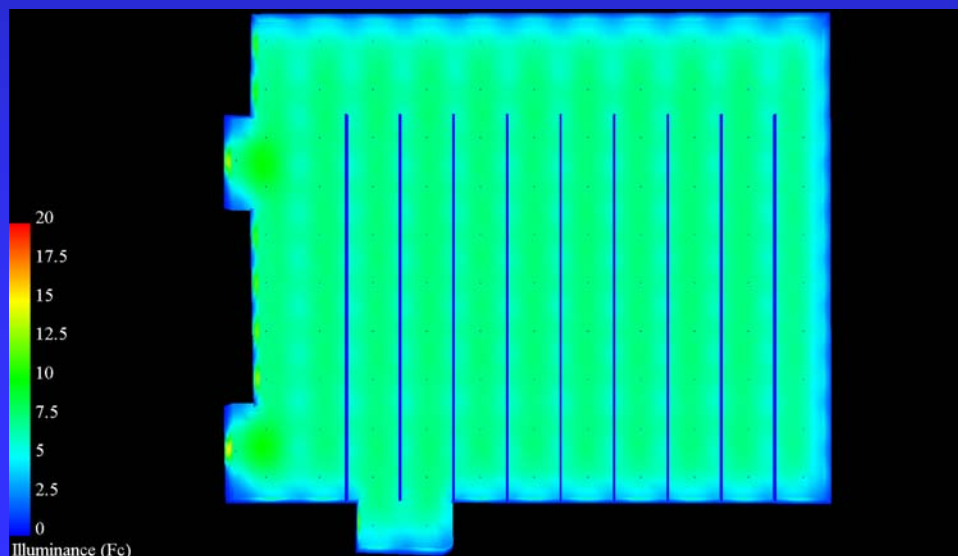
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# Application Comparison



## 200W MH Solution

AVG	11.24
MAX	27.7
MIN	2.8
MAX/MIN	9.89:1
LLF	0.8 (@ 6,000 Hrs. Use)
Power	235W



## LED Solution

AVG	7.59
MAX	11.6
MIN	2.3
MAX/MIN	5:1
LLF	0.95 (@ 50,000 Hrs. Use)
Power	128W



Parking  
Structure  
Fluorescent  
vs  
HB LED



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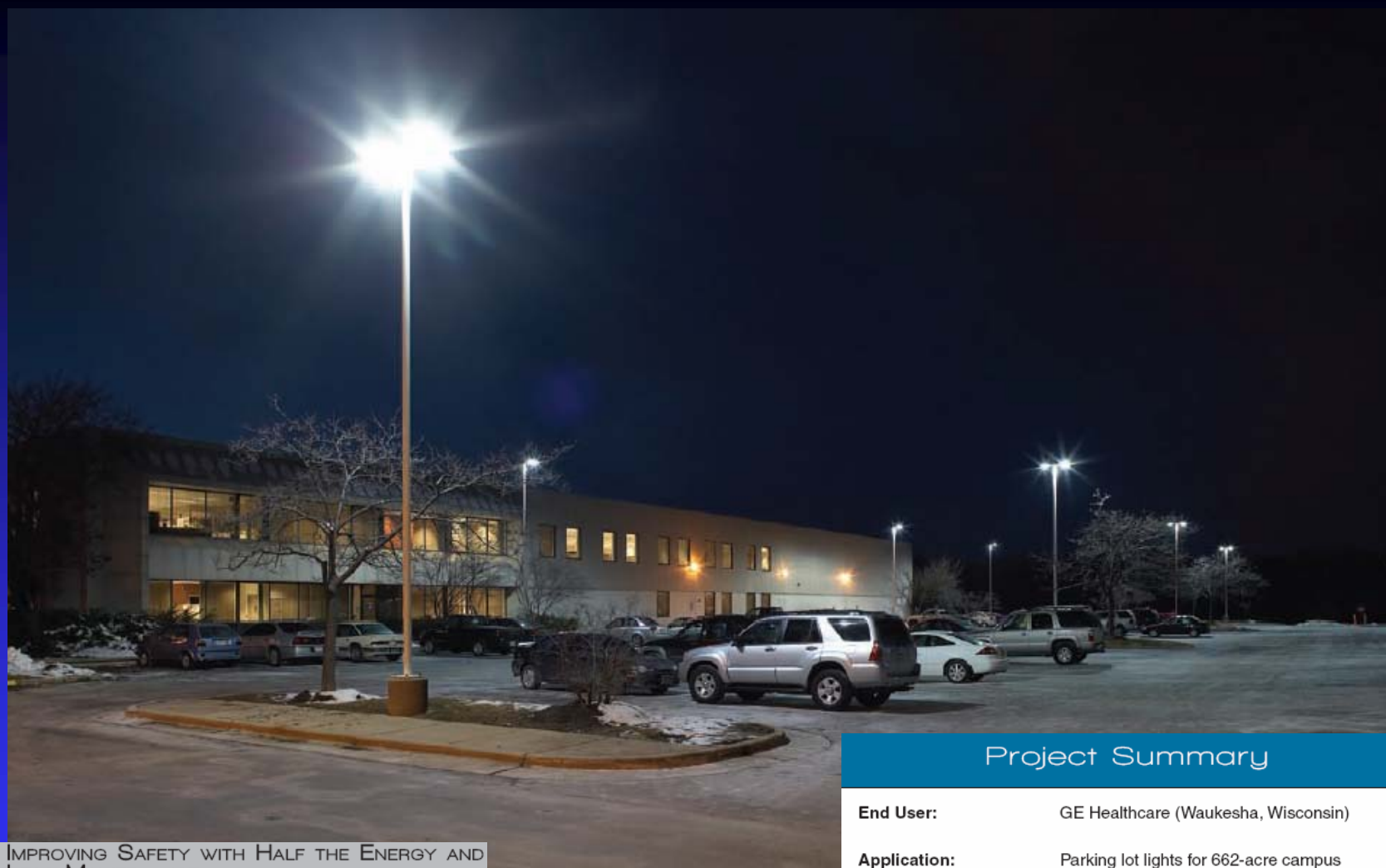




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IMPROVING SAFETY WITH HALF THE ENERGY AND LESS MAINTENANCE

“With **THE EDGE** from **Beta LED**, we are able to **surpass environmental requirements** and provide better, brighter light to **increase safety**; truly a win-win.”



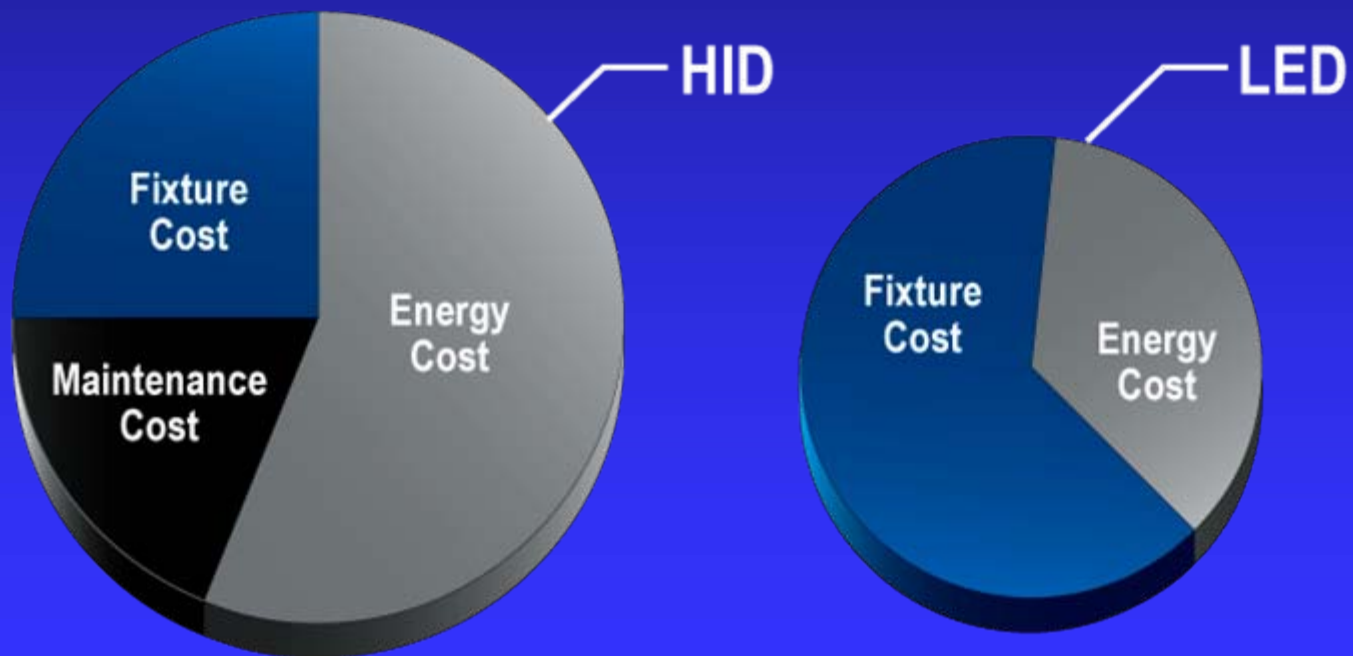
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## Project Summary

<b>End User:</b>	GE Healthcare (Waukesha, Wisconsin)
<b>Application:</b>	Parking lot lights for 662-acre campus
<b>Product:</b>	272 of THE EDGE™ LED area luminaires
<b>Benefits:</b>	<p>Cut energy in half and decrease energy costs</p> <p>Provide better lighting and improved safety for 3000 employees</p> <p>Less maintenance – lamps don't have to be changed for over 10 year versus two or three years with traditional high pressure sodium lamps</p> <p>Beta LEDs do not contain toxic mercury, commonly found in fluorescent or HID lamps</p>

# Value Analysis

## Total Cost of Ownership Illustration



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